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The Weather

Arkansas: Local showers and  
warmer this afternoon, showers in  
east portion tonight; cooler in  
northwest portion.

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## Our Daily Bread

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Hope Mention in New Book

World War No. 2, Up to July 4, 1942

"FREE MEN ARE FIGHTING", by Oliver Gramling, Farrar & Rinehart, Inc., New York (\$3.50).

This is the day-by-day story of World War No. 2 from the beginning in September, 1939, down to July 4, 1942. It is told by direct quotation from the dispatches of Associated Press foreign correspondents, the material having been selected and arranged by Mr. Gramling, veteran AP executive who wrote the earlier best seller, "AP—the Story of News".

This new book gathers its title from President Roosevelt's speech of last July 4:

"On the desert sands of Africa, along the thousands of miles of battle lines in Russia, in New Zealand and Australia, and the islands of the Pacific, in war-torn China and all over the seven seas, FREE MEN ARE FIGHTING desperately—and dying—to preserve the liberties and the decencies of modern civilization."

Much of the material of this book I read in the original telegraph copy printed in afternoon or morning AP newspapers, including my own, the last three years—but because Mr. Gramling has selected and arranged it to suit the dramatic eye of permanent history the finished result is a brand new and exciting experience.

Above all, he has personalized the dispatches, telling who the correspondent was, why he happened to be on that particular spot at that particular time, and the exciting business of getting the news out of Europe or Asia safely to America that you and I might read it.

The foreign correspondent is to all of us a romantic fellow. At the end of his book Mr. Gramling has given a brief biography of 65 AP foreign correspondents whose dispatches form the actual text of this World War No. 2 history. And I say authoritatively that "Free Men Are Fighting" is just that—a history of the first three years of the second World War, on which there is no other textbook as yet.

And on Page 355 of "Free Men Are Fighting" I find Mr. Gramling has included an account of our own town and I should explain that in writing his book he has sandwiched in between the foreign stories snatches of minor news items telling how civilian life was getting along while war raged abroad. One of these "snatches" is about Hope.

"Two cautious motorists lugged their spare tire into a Hope, Arkansas, theater rather than take a chance on having it stolen while they were seeing the movie."

You need that item originally in this column. Last spring Remond Young, then manager of the Sanger theater, now a corporal at Keesler Field, Mississippi, told me the box-office girls were convulsed because two local men actually came up to the window lugging their spare tire, and carried it right on into the theater with them.

I reported the item here; Pugh Moore, AP bureau chief at Little Rock, picked it up from our paper and put it on the state wire; the Kansas City AP bureau carried it onto the national trunk—and so Oliver Gramling, busy in New York City, saw it, and put our town in a permanent history.

One of our town subscribers tells us we have an enterprising newsboy. Wednesday the boy left a note on the customer's doorstep. Said the note:

"I will collect on Thursday."

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## Xmas Thoughts of Public Turn to Service Men

—Washington

By EDWARD HIGGINS

Washington, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Yuletide greetings from President Roosevelt will launch the nation today on a somber observance of another wartime Christmas as the thoughts of those at home turn to the million boys in fighting stations abroad and the millions of others in army and navy posts in the United States.

As with many another home, the four sons in the nation's first family were away at war. Only two of the 12 Roosevelt grandchildren came to the White House to share the president's Christmas.

The chief executive arranged to exchange traditional greetings with the White House staffs during the day, before broadcasting his Christmas message at the national tree ceremonies.

In keeping with the nation-wide effort to curtail the use of electricity, lights on the national tree—a tall spruce on the White House lawn—were omitted and the ceremony was advanced to daylight hours. Mistletoe, sprigs and other Christmas trinkets decorated some rooms of the White House, but there was a smaller tree than usual in the historic East Room.

The family tree was placed in the west hall.

As American troops pounded the Japanese in the mid-Pacific jungles and thrust at Axis forces in the sands of North Africa, men in war plants at home looked forward to their first holiday of the year.

Complying with the wish of war production Director Donald M. Nelson, work on tanks, guns and ships will cease tomorrow in most plants.

Because of the difference in time it was Christmas today in the Solomons and somewhere in the vicinity of Guadalcanal Henderson a fire-fighter, American troops took time out to eat a Christmas dinner of turkey, dispatched there weeks ago by the Navy.

The boys overseas were assured of a visit from Santa. Through the Red Cross, boxes of stationery, cigars, candy and other tasty tidbits were sent for distribution to men on the fighting fronts.

In England, American soldiers treated British children at parties, or frolicked at dances. Many expected to spend Christmas day at British homes, taking along their day's rations to add to their hosts' restricted fare.

The Navy promised a spread of turkey, ham, potatoes, oysters, cocktails, cranberry sauce and the

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## RAF Fighters Continue to Pound Burma

New Delhi, Dec. 24 — (AP) — RAF fighters, blazing a way for British troops advancing into Burma, attacked Japanese installations at Rathedaung on the Mayu river yesterday while other fighter formations attacked the Magwe airfield and an oil refinery at Yenangyaung, a British communiqué said today.

Wellington bombers followed up these forays with a night assault on enemy airdromes, the bulletin declared.

Despite the scope of the aerial operations, the British said, none of their aircraft was lost.

Rathedaung, where the RAF fighters shot up buildings, is about 25 miles northwest of Akyab, a Japanese base, and about 15 miles southeast of Aungmye, which British troops were reported to have occupied earlier this week in their drive down along the shore of the Bay of Bengal.

There was no further word on the progress of the land forces.

An Magwe, which is about 120 miles east of Akyab, a Japanese airdrome was strafed, an anti-aircraft battery was shot up and huts and dispersal areas were attacked with machinegun fire, the communiqué said.

The fighters then went on to make a low-level attack on Yenangyaung, some 20 miles to the north.

An earlier bulletin announced that the Japanese had made two air raids on eastern Bengal yesterday. Two bombs were dropped in the Asemi Aereab in the afternoon and a few more on Chittagong last night with only minor damage and few casualties, the communiqué said.

One enemy plane was reported downed by British fighters which intercepted the raiders.

## Today's War Map



Today's war map shows how the Russians threaten to cut off the German armies at Stalingrad and in the Caucasus with thrusts at Rostov. It also shows the attack near Smolensk. (NEA Telemap).

## Cut Off From Supplies Japs at Buna Reported in Desperate Position

—War in Pacific

Allied Headquarters in Australia, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Japanese forces in the Buna area of New Guinea, their fortifications breached in many places and their ranks decimated, the determined Allied offensive are now in desperate straits, a communiqué from General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said today.

Deprived of sufficient seaborne supplies and reinforcements by Allied aerial action against their convoys the Japanese have been battered by United States and Australian troops for weeks and subjected to terrific pounding from the air.

"Our attack has breached enemy fortifications in many places," the noon communiqué said. "Many hundreds of his dead are being buried by our troops. His situation must now be regarded as desperate."

The location of the Japanese fortifications newly breached was not given, but it was assumed they were in the area between Buna village and Cape Endiadeu, both of which are in Allied hands, and in the Cape Samananda sector, northwest of Buna.

That communiqué reported that Allied planes were active in both these areas, strafing and bombing the enemy in the Buna sector and attacking oil drums and barges near the government station section.

Other aircraft raided the air drome at Cape Clouet, on the western tip of New Britain. A heavy bomber dropped 500-pound bombs on a Japanese cargo vessel anchored off Jacinto Bay on the southeastern coast of the island and after strafed the ship.

An allied reconnaissance plane, attacked by from six to nine fighters near Jacinto Bay, shore down one Japanese plane and saw two others drop out of the fight trailing smoke. Two other enemy planes received slight damage.

Another headquarters announcement today told of the wounding three brigadier generals.

Brig. Gen. Albert W. Waldron of Rochester, N. Y., shot through the shoulder when only 25 yards from the enemy's lines near Buna Dec. 5, has been awarded the distinguished service cross by Gen. MacArthur for "extraordinary heroism in action."

With his orderly, Private James Borman of Madison, Wis., Gen. Waldron had been knocked down by a Japanese grenade, but both got up unhurt and pressed toward the enemy, a spokesman said.

While moving forward under heavy fire "with complete disregard for his own safety," the general was hit.

The citation said that "by his personal example, calm bearing and utter fearlessness, he inspired the men to greater effort."

Waldron, now in an Australian hospital, praised Private Borman for his fearless action in helping him from the field.

Waldron, it was disclosed, was

one of the officers who swam ashore several weeks ago after Japanese bombs sank their small boat off the New Guinea coast.

Brig. Gen. Clovis E. Byers of Columbus, Ohio, was hit on the hand by a sniper's bullet while leading an attack upon Buna village Dec. 16.

Brig. Gen. Hanford MacNider of Mason City, Iowa, received eight wounds from a Japanese grenade in November while with an American task force attacking Buna. All three officers are expected to recover, a spokesman said.

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## Landing of U. S. Troops in Dakar Is Announced

Editor's Note — Joseph Morton, Associated Press correspondent whose eye-witness story of the arrival of United States troops in Dakar follows, the first contingent of American troops to reach Liberia. He remained in Liberia until early this month and now has reached Dakar, where he was the only American correspondent to witness the arrival of American soldiers by land, air and sea in French West Africa.

A former reporter for newspapers in Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa, Morton worked in Associated Press bureaus in Cleveland and New York before leaving for Africa.

These plans include air ferrying operations, the shipment of men and material to the North African front and the fighting of Axis submarines off the African coast. The survey includes the remaining units of the French fleet here.

The Americans, members of the air forces, the service of supply and technical personnel, are not in Dakar in great numbers.

There is little doubt in the minds of the American soldiers here however, that 90 per cent of the people of Dakar are with them in spirit.

Every soldier walking and riding down the street is received with friendly smiles, waves from both men and women and salutes from French soldiers and sailors.

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## Bulletins

NAZIS CONVICT TWO

Ankara, Turkey, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Two Russians and two Turks were convicted today for the second time of complicity in the unsuccessful attempt to kill Franz von Papen, the German ambassador, with a bomb in February, 1941.

AUSSIE'S SHIP SUNK

Canberra, Dec. 24 — (AP) — The Australian government announced today that the 838-ton Corvette Armidale had been sunk by Japanese bombers some 250 miles northwest of Darwin early in December with a loss of two officers and 38 men.

"FUEHRER" YULETIDE

London, Dec. 24 — (AP) — The German radio broadcast today that a "Fuehrer" Christmas celebration in the Munich "beer cellar," one of Nazism's early rallying places, was attended by Hitler's "Old Guard." It was not stated whether Hitler himself was present.

"SEND BULLETS"

Canberra, Australia, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Prime Minister John Curtin sent a Christmas message to Australian soldiers on many fronts today, telling them they had a message to deliver to Gen. Hideki Tojo, Japanese premier, next year and asking them to deliver it in "bullets, bombs and shells."

RUMANIANS DISCONTENT

Ankara, Turkey, Dec. 23 — (AP) — Balkan sources said today that discontent in Rumania with the government of Gen. Ion Antonescu, which led the country into alliance with Germany, is reaching a dangerous stage.

JAP DIET MEETS

Tokyo (From Japanese Broadcasts, Dec. 24 — (AP) — The Imperial Diet, Japan's parliament, opened its 81st session today with its program limited to legislation "urgently needed for the prosecution of the war," according to the official news agency Domei.

Extra Gas for Necessary Trips Only

Under Ration Order No. 5A Special rations may be issued in the absence of reasonable adequate alternative means of transportation to provide for necessary trips to and from the doctor; to permit a person to make a bona fide change of residence because of his employment.

Special rations are not allowed to a person to enable him to drive to and from the home of a sick relative for the purpose of taking care of such relative.

Please do not apply for special rations unless you are eligible according to above regulations, except in cases of extreme emergencies, T. S. McDavitt, Chairman Hempstead County War Price & Rationing Board appealed.

U. S. aircraft production is expected to reach \$4 billion mark for manufacture of planes, engines and propellers alone.

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## All Germans in Caucasus in Danger of Trap

—Europe

Z By EDDY GILMORE

Moscow, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Pressing southward across the Middle Don steppes at an unchecked pace, the Red Army today captured several more cossack towns and rapidly narrowed the 130-mile gap between Millerovo and Rostov on which the German command depended for land connection with its hundreds of thousands of men before Stalingrad and in the Caucasus.

The Russians were sweeping forward at a rate of 12 to 18 miles a day, and Pravda, the communist party organ, said the Germans in at least one sector were in wild disorder, leaving 17 undamaged Messerschmitt fighting planes on one airdrome which was suddenly scooped into the Soviet net.

The Red Army, drove an arc about the vital communications hub of Millerovo, approximately 130 miles from Rostov on the Don at the sea of Azov.

They were within 67 miles of Voroshilovgrad, in the heart of the rich Donets basin, and within 87 miles of Kamensk, where the Millerovo-Rostov railway crosses the Donets.

Off to the southeast of the Russian thrust was Kotelnikovsky, on the Stalingrad-Caucasus railway, 120 miles away.

By occupying the Cossack town of Okhivoli Rog, the Russian forces had moved up to within 14 miles directly west of Millerovo.

The position of Millerovo doubtlessly was the German command's greatest concern at the moment for the fate of this city of 15,000 population would leave them only one main line, the Kharkov-Tambov line, to their rear.

Secondary lines which connect below Kamensk, as a means of communications to German troops, to the northeast and in the Caucasus.

Directly west of Millerovo the Russians were at Volostina, while to the southeast they were at Bolshinsk, Bervomaiskole and Sulinsky. The drive through Volostina threatened the Millerovo-Moscow railway.

The Russian tally of 80,600 Germans killed or captured — 16,400 captured yesterday alone — was swelled by today's official report which listed 1,000 prisoners from one division, including the division commander.

Red Star dispatch also told of the capture of 2,200 of the enemy at one settlement which was surrounded.

At another place, Red Star said, the Russians seized 30 tanks which had been dug into the ground for defense.

What appeared to be a major battle for a town southwest of Stalingrad was reported in the midday communiqué, which said that stubborn fighting dislodged the Germans from the town and that they left more than 1,000 killed, and 15 tanks, 63 trucks, 12 guns, 18 machine-guns and four planes destroyed.

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## African Battle Moves Steadily Toward Climax

—Africa

By The Associated Press

London, Dec. 24 — (AP) — American forces were disclosed today to have arrived in the French West African port of Dakar, welding the last big link in the Allies' chain of bases and supply ports, as the campaign to drive the enemy from North Africa moved steadily closer to its climax.

The Italian high command said Allied forces had launched an arm- or supported thrust to recapture lost positions in Tunisia, presumably in the Medjex-El-Bab gateway sector before Tunis and Bizerte, but had been stopped.

This apparently was only part of increasing patrol activity on the Tunisian front, however, although the Italians said 300 prisoners, mostly British, were captured.

There was no Allied report of any major new operation.

In Libya, the British communiqué said, there was "nothing to report" from the ground forces but the Morocco radio broadcast a statement that Marshal Rommel's retreat was continuing with unslackened speed and his forces apparently were rushing, to bolster the Axis' Tunisian defense.

Another Axis merchant ship was hit by British bombers on the close-pollied Mediterranean supply route, the British announced in Cairo. The ship was last seen at sea.

The Italian communiqué said the environs of Naples and the stepping-stone island of Lampedusa, between Sicily and Tunisia, had been attacked by bombers and some damage caused.

The stirring news from Dakar



# Organization of Forces Causes Present Lull in Africa



By GLENN BABB

Today's revelation that the Americans have arrived at Dakar is the remainder of the tremendous scope of our undertaking in Africa. It is assurance that behind the wall of secrecy, imposed by military needs, a gigantic work is going forward.

On the battlefields the long continued lull persists; in Tunisia only patrol activity in the north, minor actions involving the French in the south and the daily exchange of air blows; in Libya for yet another day a British communiqué, that says, "nothing to report from our land forces." If this prompts impatient speculation as to whether United Nations leadership has bogged down, an anti-date could be found by recalling the days before Eisenhower's landing last Nov. 8 when the clamor for action, for the second front ran over most of the Allied lands.

What we are doing in North Africa is preparing not merely to oust the Axis from its dwindling footholds along the Mediterranean coast, but to organize all the northern half of the world's second largest continent as a base and springboard for the reduction of what Hitler calls his fortress of Europe. French North Africa and West Africa together cover an area almost as great as the continental United States. Add French Equatorial Africa and the total area, about 3,800,000 square miles, is greater than that of the United States and all its possessions. From Dakar around to Tunis the coastline is about 2,500 miles. From Tunis around to Tunis the coastline is about 2,500 miles. From Casablanca straight across Morocco and Algeria to the Tunisian battlefields the supply lines run more than 1,000 miles. These distances alone impose a tremendous burden to which are added baffling political complications. The arrival of Admiral Glasford and his contingent at Dakar to integrate its fine harbor, airports and the French warships there into the United Nations war machine is proof that both political and geographical complications are being overcome.

Meanwhile the battle for North Africa is taking new shape. We know now that the first step expected of our African undertaking was to organize the British and the French. A few days ago, the Allies lost the race for Tunis and Bizerte. It was a long shot that failed to come off; Hitler's bases were too near and he got there first although the British First Army took the long chance of outturning its air support in its dash eastward. Some civilian expectations outran the military possibilities and must now be revised.

The Allies are going to have to fight a campaign of continental scope to throw Rommel and Nehring out of Africa and clear the way for the trans-Mediterranean invasion of Hitler's land. Whether Rommel joins Nehring to make

## Market Report

### ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

National Stockyards, Ill., Dec. 24 —(P)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Hogs, 7,500; uneven weights over 180 lbs. opened steady to 5 lower; later trade 10 to 15 lower than average Wednesday; lighter weights steady to 15 lower; early sales good and choice 180-240 lbs. 14.80-15.00; top 14.90; later sales 180-260 lbs. 14.70-15; 140-160 lbs. 14.10-14.65; 100-130 lbs. 13.10-14.00; sows 13.85-14.25; few early at 14.35.

Cattle, 1,500; calves, 750; opening generally steady with Wednesday; few medium steers 13.10-13.65; medium and good heifers and mixed yearlings 11.00-13.00; common and medium cows 9.50-11.50; medium and good sausage bulls 11.00-12.75; good and choice vealers 16.25; medium and good 13.75-15.00; nominal range slaughter steers 10.75-16.00; slaughter heifers 9.50-15.50; stocker and feeder steers 9.00-14.75.

Sheep, 1,200; receipts include three doubles southwest clipped lambs; around 800 trucked in lambs and few yearlings; no early action.

### GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Chicago, Dec. 24 —(P)—Grain futures prices were up about a cent today, with quotations near top levels of recent months, but all of the gains could not be held at the closing bell.

Buying of industries, commercial grain interests and professional traders covering previous short sales prior to the Christmas holiday accounted for the market's strength. Some dealers thought a higher floor price ceiling would be announced soon.

Wheat closed 3-8-3-4 cent higher than yesterday, May \$1.57 78-34, July \$1.35 78-3-4; corn 12-3-4 up, May 93 1-8-14, July 94-3-4 18; oats unchanged to 38 up;

Tunis a last stand fastness remains to be seen, but evidence is increasing that he will try it. The French in southern Tunisia, re-equipped with American arms and inspired with new hope, may have something to say about such a junction; they are thrusting vigorously toward the coast at Sousse.

There can be no doubt, however, that Hitler plans a mighty fight to hold Tunisia as long as he can, meanwhile preparing the southern bastions of his fortress Europa. His propaganda machine has begun telling the German people that the Mediterranean war now takes rank with the great anti-communist crusade in Russia, an admission that the second front so long dreaded has become a fact. The main lines of his strategy become clearer: He proposes to concentrate all the strength he can at the point on the African coast where geography gives him a big initial advantage in the battle of the supply routes, where his lines of communication across the Sicilian narrows are measured in hundreds of miles while ours extend for thousands. This means a fight that may well last out the winter; perhaps at the worst extend far into 1943 and cheat us of the hopes of decision in the European theater before another Christmas rolls around.

In this fight ships probably will prove the deciding factor, for war and the humbler transports and merchantmen alike. And here the United Nations hold the upper hand. The alliance that mustered 850 ships to put General Eisenhower and Anderson in Africa and hundreds more to provide General Alexander and Montgomery with the stuff of victory have the tools for finishing the African job.

### NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, Dec. 24 —(P)—The pre-Christmas celebration in the stock market was mild today although peace-rates issues were brought sparingly and little real weakness developed in other sections of the list.

Mixed trends ruled at the start and in the final hour, while gains of fractions to around a point or so were well distributed, minus signs were plentiful and numerous pivots unchanged. Quiet numerous centered principally in selected oils, rubbers, air transports, gold mines and farm implements.

Sizable blocks to low-priced stocks bolstered volume to some extent but dealings were relatively slow. Transfers for the full proceedings were around 750,000 shares versus 924,000 the day before.

Bullish war news apparently caused further switching into stocks of companies that are supposed to have good prospects when the world conflict is concluded. Tax selling persisted as a brake on recovery and commitments were trimmed in some instances as a holiday precaution.

New tops for the year or longer were touched by Standard Oil (NJ) Texas Co., Goodyear, U. S. Rubber, General Tire, Chrysler, and American Airlines.

Wheat closed 3-8-3-4 cent higher than yesterday, May \$1.57 78-34, July \$1.35 78-3-4; corn 12-3-4 up, May 93 1-8-14, July 94-3-4 18; oats unchanged to 38 up;

## Cairo Hotbed for Rumors Over Drinks

By CLYDE A. FARNSWORTH

Cairo, Dec. 24 —(P)—With the war now out of her own front yard Cairo seems to have wiped the chill sweat from her brow — if worried she ever was — and is not relaxing for a prosperous winter season. The battle of the Egyptian desert is ended; the battle for the sunny terrace tables at Shepherd's or the Continental — Savoy was begun in earnest.

In this theater one must proceed with the decisive opportunism of the master tactician if he is to win lodgement on the wicker chair front. The rivalry is keen among officers — and the reward of a well-planned maneuver on the hotel terraces along Sharia Ibrahim pasha is an hour or two of relaxation, liquid refreshment and a chance to participate in Cairo's principal pastime — rumor-mongering.

The zero hour in the battle of the terraces strikes daily at 12:30 p.m. when military regulations permit the first alcoholic beverages to be sold. A sluggish campaigner may easily be surrounded by filled tables and chairs before he realizes his plight. Unless he wants to drink standing up his best tactic is to stroll about waiting for someone to be called to the telephone or something.

The favorite beverage on the wicker front in gin-line, lime juice being highly considered as a fortification against tropical ailments. One gin-line is considered adequate for even an hour of rumor-swapping, although a minority of extremists lean to different rations and some actually get along on lime juice and water, tea or cafe au lait.

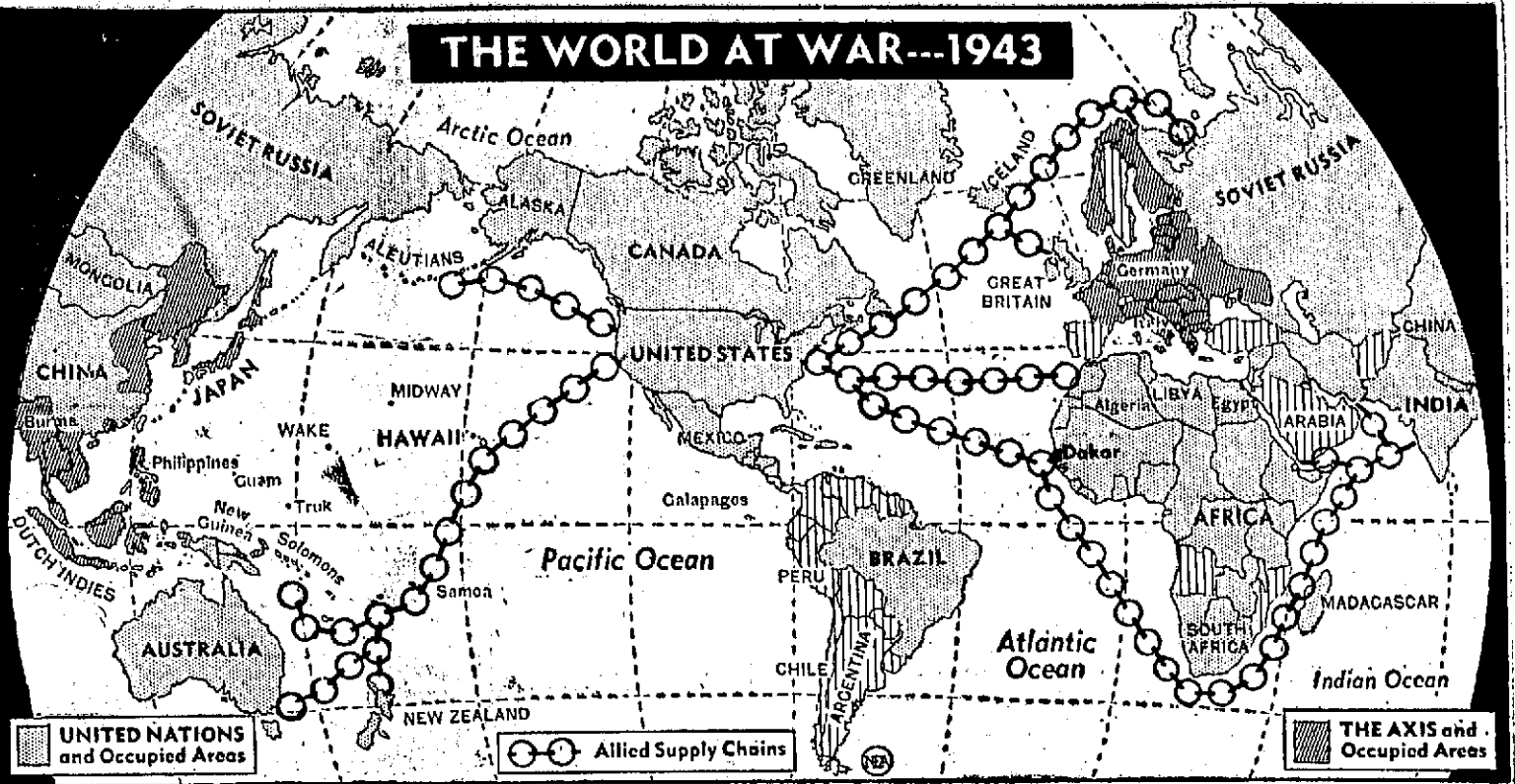
For example, a new-found acquaintance of mine working only on lime juice and water, heard that Spain was being occupied by the Germans and Portugal invaded in an Allied counter-stroke.

It is academically interesting to speculate on the state of affairs if military regulations were relaxed and gin-limes sanctioned throughout the day and night instead of the present 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 10 p.m.

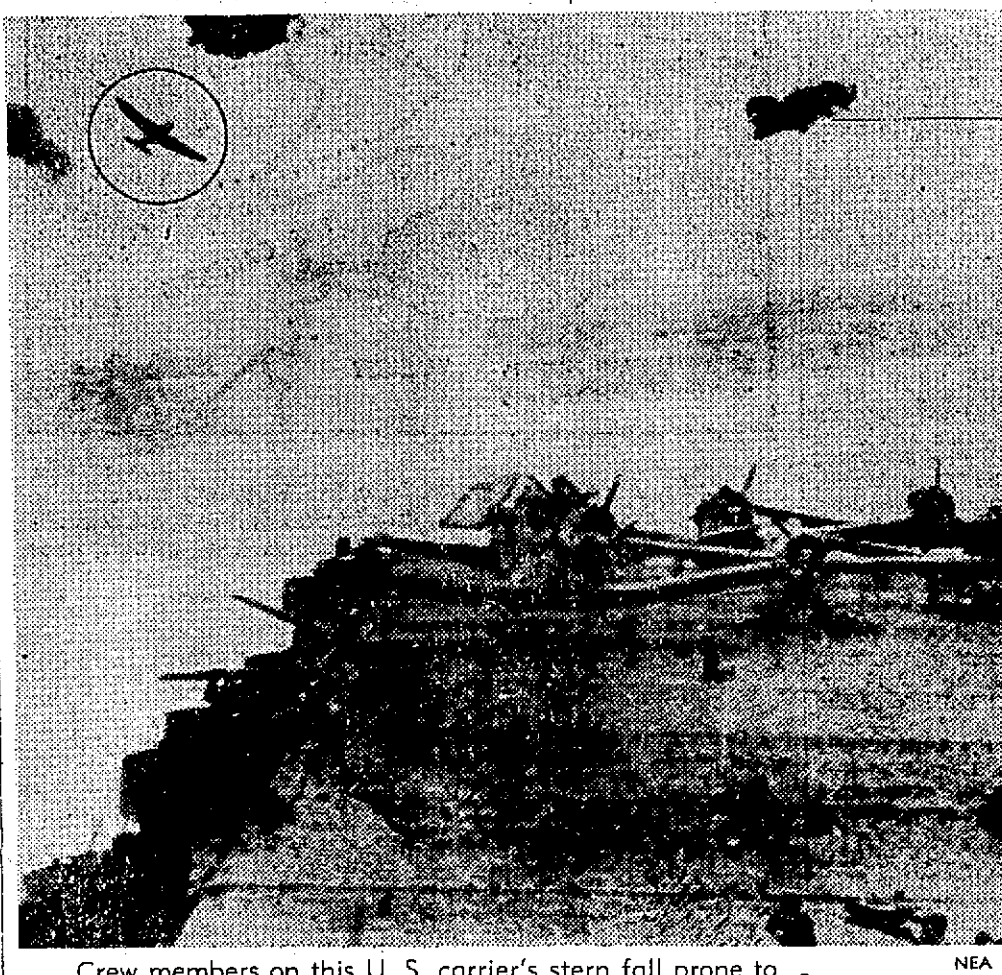
Cairo's hotels are crowded; the whole town is doing a rushing business. The end of the war may well be followed by a depression here.

The terraces offered a kaleidoscope of uniforms of the United Nations, the British naturally predominating.

Women are a distinct minority on the terraces but those appearing achieve considerable chic, considering the war's effect on feminine styles. Women in uniform also are rather a common sight.



## Action on Deck of U. S. Aircraft Carrier



Crew members on this U. S. carrier's stern fall prone to reduce the risk of injury as Marine gunners, on gun platform, left, force attacking Jap bomber (upper left circled) to turn away. Note shell bursts in sky. (Official U. S. Navy News-reel Photo from NEA Telephoto).

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case by jeep, the Americans arrived in Dakar. Although there was little cheering from the local population, this may have been because there were no parades or other suitable opportunities.

The attitude of French public officials and Army and Naval officers seemed to be to receive the Americans well and courteously and in a spirit of cooperation, but still to maintain dignity and remember yesterday's dead.

last Christmas was fighting Japanese invaders. At home, despite rationing and some scarcities, latter pocket books gave promise of a ample Christmas dinners, and Junior, too, probably will find that Kris Kringle's pack is bulging with toys, though some may lack the shiny metal of other years.

Thousands of soldiers and workers, who have been separated from their families, jammed trains and buses in a last-minute rush to get home for the holidays. There was standing room only on some lines, but few cared about that.

After dinner tonight, following tradition, the president will read aloud to the family and guests "Dickens' Christmas carol. Those expected to be present are Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., and her two children, Franklin III, and Christopher; Mrs. James Roosevelt of New York, the president's sister-in-law; Harry Hopkins, New York; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hopkins and Hopkins' daughter, Diana.

On Christmas morning, the President and Mrs. Roosevelt and the family will attend services arranged by the Washington federation of churches. Presents will be opened in the afternoon and Mr. Roosevelt will carve the turkey at dinner in the evening.

## Xmas Thoughts

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other trimmings for its officers and bluejackets. Nuts, candy and cream rounded out the menu. The army expected to do as well in "gaily decorated" mess halls with 5,000,000 pounds of turkey, and tons of potatoes, pies and other delicacies.

There was turkey, too, for the 1,500 Americans imprisoned by the Japs at Camp Woonung near Shanghai, the Red Cross reported. Supplies of food, clothing and medicines were enroute to other prisoners in the Philippines, which

## FDR Signs Bill Hiking Pay of U. S. Employees

Washington, Dec. 24 —(P)—President Roosevelt today signed a bill providing pay raises for about 1,500,000 government employees and said it was "a major step toward settling the government personnel situation in order."

"The measure also abolishes the Saturday half holiday in government service, which Mr. Roosevelt described as a 'peace time luxury.'"

He said in a memorandum to all federal departments and agencies that the government must concentrate on the one task of winning the war.

While Saturday becomes a full work day with a legal minimum of seven hours in the departmental service, he said he wanted department and agency heads to establish a general minimum work schedule of a six-day, 48-hour week for both the departmental and field service. He said certain necessary exceptions might have to be made.

The chief executive said that the pay bill "removes inequities and meets the rise in the cost of living by providing increased earnings for more work and longer hours."

He called at the same time for full use of governmental manpower and added that every surplus employee must be dispensed with and personnel reduced wherever possible.

## African Battle

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positions near Pont Du Fahs, some 30 miles south of Tunis, capturing a number of prisoners and two armored cars.

At the same time other Allied forces went into action against the Axis on a small scale, at three points southwest of Tunis and on are stretching out from nine to 14 miles east of Medjed-el-Bab. Axis forces were reported by military circles to be most active in that region.

A military spokesman said there had been some shelling of Allied positions on the northern sector of the Allied lines stretching to the west and south of Bizerte and Tunis. Patrol activity was said to have increased in intensity on both sides.

night. Rep. Cravens (D-Ark said the War Department told him about 4,000 German and Italian prisoners would be taken to Camp Chaffee. Senator Caraway (D-Ark said the Department advised her Camp Robinson had been placed on a list of posts where prisoners would be kept.

Cravens said he understood "they are starting to bring them into Camp Chaffee now." Mrs. Caraway said she did not think that prisoners would go to Camp Robinson immediately but that it would "be used sooner or later, when needed."

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## Social and Personal

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### Social Calendar

**Monday, December 28th**  
Miss Mary Claude Fletcher will be hostess to members of the Hope Business and Professional Women's club at her home, 7:30 p. m.

**Yuletide Banquet for City Employees**  
The annual Yuletide banquet for local firemen was held in the large dining room at the fire station Monday evening, with members of the Hope department and their families as guests.

Covers were laid for 66 guests at the long damask covered table appointed in the Christmas theme. Fire chief and Mrs. James Embree were presented with a beautiful gift.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Harvey Thomas and daughter of Eagle Pass, Texas.

**Arrivals and Departures**  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Woodford and daughters, Nancy Jane and Susan Ann, of Little Rock will be Christmas guests of Misses Marie and Nannie Purkins and Mrs. Glen Williams.

Miss Catherine Lane has arrived from Washington, D. C., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lane.

Miss Annie Lee Rider, who is a member of the DeQueen public schools faculty, is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rider.

Mrs. Hugh B. Gilbert has gone to Ft. Knox, Ky., to spend the Yuletide season with Pvt. Gilbert, who is stationed there.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Wingfield will spend Christmas day in Little Rock with Mrs. Wingfield's sisters, Mrs. H. H. Crow, and Mr. Crow, and Mrs. W. N. Stannus, and Mr. Stannus.

### Coming and Going

Senator and Mrs. Lloyd Spencer have arrived from Washington, D. C. to spend Christmas in the city.

Mrs. Kline Snyder and Mrs. George Sandefur will leave by train tonight for Marshall, Texas to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Brandon and other relatives.

Mrs. G. A. Hobbs and children are in Beaumont, Texas for the season's holidays.

Cpl. Walter Miller has arrived from Camp Crowder, Mo. to visit Mrs. Miller and other relatives through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Duckett and son, William, left yesterday for Coffeyville, Kansas.

Miss Cora Burton is the guest of

relatives in Lewisville this week.

Miss Helen Coon is leaving today for her home in Dallas, Texas. She expects to return Sunday.

Pvt. Harold Hartfield of St. Louis, Mo. is the holiday guest of Mrs. Hartfield and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Fleming and little son, Billy, of Benton are house guests of Mrs. Fleming's mother, Mrs. W. H. Olmstead, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tackett and son, Richard, are arriving tomorrow for a visit in the Olmstead home.

Mrs. Lloyd Kinard is leaving tomorrow for Broken Bow, Okla. to spend a part of the Yuletide season with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred White have as a guest their daughter, Miss Mary Della White of Holly Grove.

G. T. Crews, Jr. has arrived from Dallas to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Crews for the remainder of the week.

After a visit with relatives and friends in Texarkana, Mrs. Frank Hutchens and Mrs. Fred Horne have returned to their homes in the city.

Mrs. Frank Gallego of Texarkana arrives Thursday to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Hutchens, and other relatives and friends during the Christmas season.

Mrs. Briant Billingsley and daughter of Little Rock are house guests of the T. R. Billingsleys.

**Personals**  
John S. Greene left Monday from Little Rock, Arkansas for Norfolk, Va., where he will receive training for a "Sea Bee". He was accompanied to Little Rock by Mrs. Greene and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Thomas and son, Bill.

Lt. Harry Segnar is rapidly improving from burns received in a gun powder explosion at Fort Sam Houston, Texas friends will be happy to know. He is still confined to the base hospital.

Friends of Jack Rogers will be glad to know that he is rapidly improving from a serious operation at the Josephine hospital.

**J. Edward Schooley Promoted to Captain**

J. Edward Schooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Schooley of Hope, stationed with the U. S. Army at Fort Lewis, Washington has been promoted to the rank of a captain, it was learned here today.

## Good News for Doughboys on Kitchen Duty

By LARRY H. ROBINSON

Caldwell, Idaho, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Here's great news for doughboys stuck on K.P. duty. There's a growing army of American potatoes on the way — and they won't have to be peeled.

Science has come to the rescue of potato peelers of the Army and Navy. This year the American potato industry has its sights raised to 20 million pounds of spuds cut to wartime specifications—skinned, streamlined and conveniently tinned. The entire output is headed for fighting men overseas.

Last year 10,000,000 pounds of beauties from Idaho, Maine and other potato-growing sections were stripped of their jackets and shipped for military mess tables.

Dehydration is the answer science has cut some new capers with it.

During the first World War, more than 6,000,000 pounds of dehydrated potatoes were sent overseas. But the boys didn't like them. The dried-out potatoes couldn't be coaxed back to their original shape, color and flavor.

It's different now. It would take an expert to tell dehydrated potatoes out of a can from the ones mother peeled out in the kitchen and cooked before putting them through the masher.

Probably the dehydrated spud's biggest selling point is that the fresh product may be condensed to one-tenth usual size. That's important with every square foot of cargo space so precious.

The potatoes are packed in five-gallon tins with each can packing the food value of a 100-pound sack of tubers fresh from the fields. When placed in water and boiled, the dehydrated potato cooks out to predrying size.

One of the most popular numbers in the dehydrated potato line from the soldier's viewpoint is the "strips julienne," as the quartermaster corps knows them, or "shapes," which is the processors' term. They look like French fries in the raw. Thirty minutes of quick boiling returns them to normal.

The actual dehydration process, aside from the operation of certain machines, is comparatively simple. The potatoes are washed, mechanically peeled and then "spotted" for blemishes by crews of women working beside belt conveyors.

The belt spills the spuds into a machine which shreds them preparatory to blanching with a short steam or hot water bath to kill enzyme action and guarantee preservation.

The gleaming white potatoes travel on trays through an air-heated tunnel and are dried out to six or seven percent moisture content by huge blast-type oil furnaces. The last step is to seal the spuds in the five-gallon tins.

## Cliff Falls on Bus—22-Killed



Police established that 22 persons died when a roadside cliff collapsed over a bus, burying it beneath tons of dirt and rock near Aliquippa, Pa. At the top of the photo is shown a general scene of the disaster after the rocks and dirt had smashed into the bus. At bottom is shown a close-up of the wrecked bus with rescue workers digging into the debris.

## Williams Also Leads in Runs Batted in

Chicago, Dec. 24 — (AP) — Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox was the leader, without a close rival, in batting in runs and receiving bases on balls during the 1942

## Flashes of Life

**By the Associated Press**  
**They Asked for It**  
Hendricks Field, Fla. — "All those who do not believe in Santa Claus will sign here," read a bulletin in a squadron orderly room. Later in the day, the squadron commander checked the list and announced: "All those who signed have assigned themselves to KP duty on Christmas Day."

**Criticism**  
San Diego — Addison E. Housh, chief of the OPA office here, received a large box in holiday wrapping which held containers labeled "eggs," "butter," "coffee," "sugar." Each was filled with nuts.

**Rats**  
Clayton, N. M. — A three-cent bounty on rat tails has produced all sorts of rat-catching methods in this rodent harassed town. They include: Cheese, of course. Flooding rat holes. Fishing them out. (One boy got three).

**Time Table Costs Him**  
Tulsa, Okla. — C. H. Blanken-

American League season, official statistics showed today. Thus Ted had these honors to add to his leading batting average of 3.56 and his high totals of 141 runs scored and 36 home runs.

The nearest anyone came to Williams' total of 137 runs batted in was Joe Di Maggio of New York, who had 114. Other high R.B.I. men were Charlie Keller of New York, 108, Joe Gordon of New York, 103, and Bobby Duerr of Boston, 102.

Di Maggio was the top man last year with 125 and Williams was fourth with 123 behind Cleveland's Jeff Heath's 123 and Keller's 122. Williams received 145 bases on balls, with the next best marks being 114 by Keller and 106 by Les Fleming of Cleveland.

Gordon, Yankee second baseman, struck out the most times, 95, and grounded into double plays the most times, 22. Keller, in hitting into twin killings only five times, tied the league record. Frankie hit by pitchers more times than any other player for six straight years, only to yield this battered crown to Phil Rizzuto in 1941, won back the title last season when he was winged nine times.

The Yankees, in their surge to the league pennant, won the team title for runs batted in with 744. The Red Sox tied the league record for hitting into the fewest double plays with 94 over the season. The Philadelphia Athletics, who hit into five twin killings in one game against the Yankees Aug. 14, are believed to have set a new record.

## Rev. Hamill to End Service Here Sunday

Sunday will mark the farewell day at the Tabernacle for Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Hamill who for three and one-half years have Pastored the Hope Gospel Tabernacle. The Hamills will move to Okmulgee, Oklahoma on Dec. 30, and will be succeeded at the Tabernacle by the Rev. Paul Gaston, Pastor of First Assembly of God Church in Port Arthur, Texas. Mr. Gaston will arrive on January 1 to assume his duties as Pastor here.

A great day is being planned by the Tabernacle congregation for Sunday. The Rev. Hamill will speak in both the morning and evening services. Tabernacle officers have invited all friends of the Church and the Hamill's personal friends who possibly can to attend the farewell service on Sunday night.

The Alabamans, who said he would offer the legislation, told newspapermen he was "really shocked to find that the penalty is so low."

Such a crime now is punishable only under the fraud statutes, with maximum penalties running to two years imprisonment or \$10,000 fine, or both, on conviction of conspiracy to defraud the United States, and 10 years imprisonment, \$10,000 fine or both, for consummation of such a fraud.

"It is odd to differentiate between such a crime and treason, when the purposeful putting off of inferior or defective materials on the Army and Navy might cost the lives of thousands of our fighting men," Hobbs said. "Shooting is too good for a person who would do such a thing."

Tom C. Clark, chief of the justice department war frauds division, said his office was investigating 900 cases of suspected wartime fraud against the government, and that approximately 15 of these involved accusations that defective or inferior materials were manufactured and delivered, wilfully to the armed services.

Indictments have been returned against three concerns on such charges, he reported.

Hobbs said that anyone purposefully manufacturing and delivering faulty materials that might cost the lives of soldiers, sailors or Marines should be tried under the treason clause of the constitution, for giving aid and comfort to the enemy, but Clark explained that to obtain a treason conviction it would be necessary to prove that "the defendant adheres to the enemy and gives the enemy aid and comfort."

In all my 50 years of public service I have never seen a document that was more crowded with falsehoods and distortions, on a scale so huge that I never imagined until today that any government on this planet was capable of uttering them.

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## Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS  
Wide World Features Writer

Hollywood — Merry Christmas, and here's hoping that exactly right present finds its way into your rayon stocking when the bells go jingle-jangle-jingle tonight. And if it happens otherwise, and Sue Nick decides you can get along without it — or that baked beans would suit your Christmas table better than a roast turkey this year — here's a consoling if not original thought straight from the stars: maybe it's better so.

That's our text for today, and we'll prove it as Christmas Carol, named Sue, and her Ladd, name of Alan.

You know about Sue and Alan. Sue's the ex-movie star who turned agent. Alan's the new star who gets about 3,000 fan letters a week. Sue took Alan in tow and for two years caroled his praises around the studios until finally he got a break. They're Mr. and Mrs. Ladd now, and there's a little Ladd expected next year.

But it wasn't all roses — or roast turkey — on the climb of recognition. Ladd got his chance in "This Gun for Hire," after a number of bits and small parts that served to show he knew his craft. Sue can tell you about any number of big parts he tried for and didn't get. Christmas presents even if they'd come in July, and more welcome than roast turkey on anybody's table tomorrow.

"We tried for the role of 'The Outlaw' with Howard Hughes—the story of 'Billy the Kid,'" she says. "We were sick about it when we missed, because Alan always had wanted to play the Kid. Well, Jack Beutel got it, and Jane Russell played the girl, and the picture's been finished for ages and no-body's seen it yet."

"Then we got excited about 'The Devil and Miss Jones.' They said Alan was too unknown — which he was — and gave it to somebody else. There was 'I Wanted Wings,' and we lost out to Bill Holden, and then 'Shepherd of the Hills,' which we lost to John Wayne. There were any number of juvenile leads he could have done but didn't get."

"The point is that each time we were terribly disappointed but it's all worked out for the best. There was bound to be the part he could play better than anybody else, and it came. He's never handled a gun, but 'This Gun for Hire' was his part and nobody else's. He got it."

"So now we're plenty thankful that we missed the others. Any of them might have won him a contract, and any of the contracts might have put him in a rut. This one won't, and we both feel he's on his way."

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## Sun Used To Heat New War Offices

Washington (AP)—When fuel con-  
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lem, Uncle Sam harnessed the enor-  
mous new War Department building  
at Arlington, Va.  
Light sensitive devices installed  
on the roof by engineers react to  
the intensity of the sun and in turn  
control the building's heating sys-  
tem. This, if one section is flood-  
ed with brilliant sunshine the tem-  
perature in that section is auto-  
matically reduced to compensate  
for the warmth-giving rays.

With haircuts where they are, it al-  
most pays to be a poet.

## Hold Everything



By J. R. Williams

## OUT OUR WAY



THE ART EXHIBIT

## OUR BOARDING HOUSE with ... Major Hoople



## Wash Tubbs



## Popeye



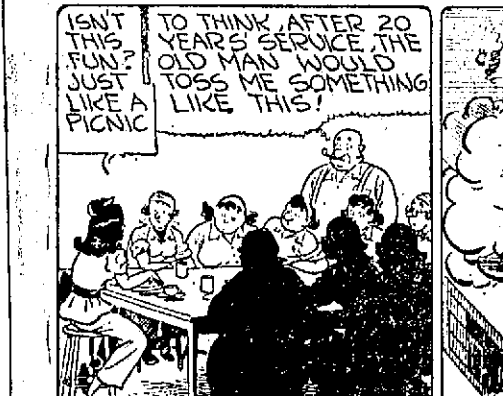
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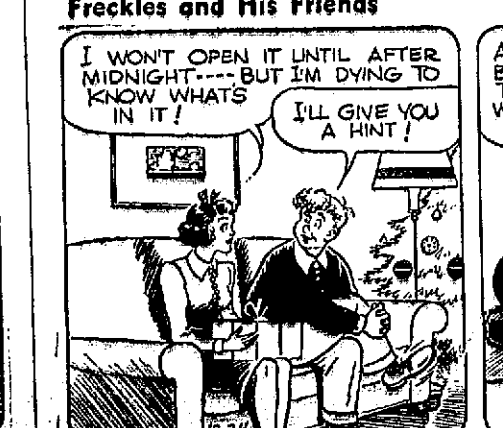
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## Certainly





# Men, Ages 18 to 38, Still May Volunteer In the NAVY If They Are in Class 1-A

## Limited Quota Makes Immediate Action Necessary

Applicants Must See Local Boards  
At Once in Order to Be Placed  
On Navy's Preferred List

All men between the ages of 18 and 38 who are in class 1-A may volunteer their services for the Navy, Lt. Comdr. H. D. Bradshaw, Navy Recruiting Officer for Arkansas, announced today.

In order to take advantage of this opportunity, Lt. Comdr. Bradshaw said, all applicants must go to their local Selective Service Board to file the necessary papers, before being eligible for induction into the Naval Service.

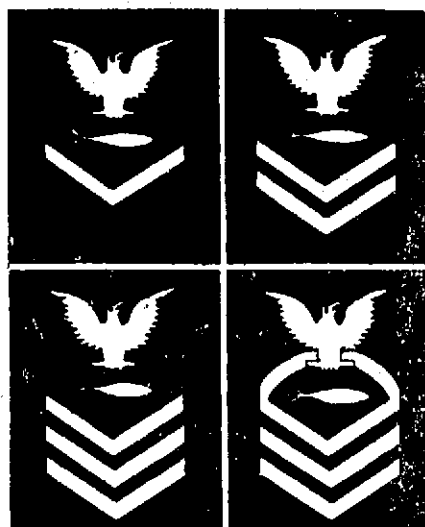
Due to the fact that the number of men who may be enlisted in the Navy is limited, those anxious to get into this branch of the service should not delay—but act today.

Persons who already have received their induction calls are not eligible for Navy enlistment, Mr. Bradshaw said, but those who have not received their call may apply to their local board for their application for Voluntary Induction into the Navy.

It is not necessary for men under 21, who have registered under Selective Service, to obtain the consent of their parents.

"Remember," Lieutenant Commander Bradshaw said, "due to the limited number of men between 18 and 38 to be accepted, it is necessary for those interested in enlisting in the Navy to act at once. Once you have received your induction call the Navy cannot accept you."

### RATINGS YOU MAY WIN



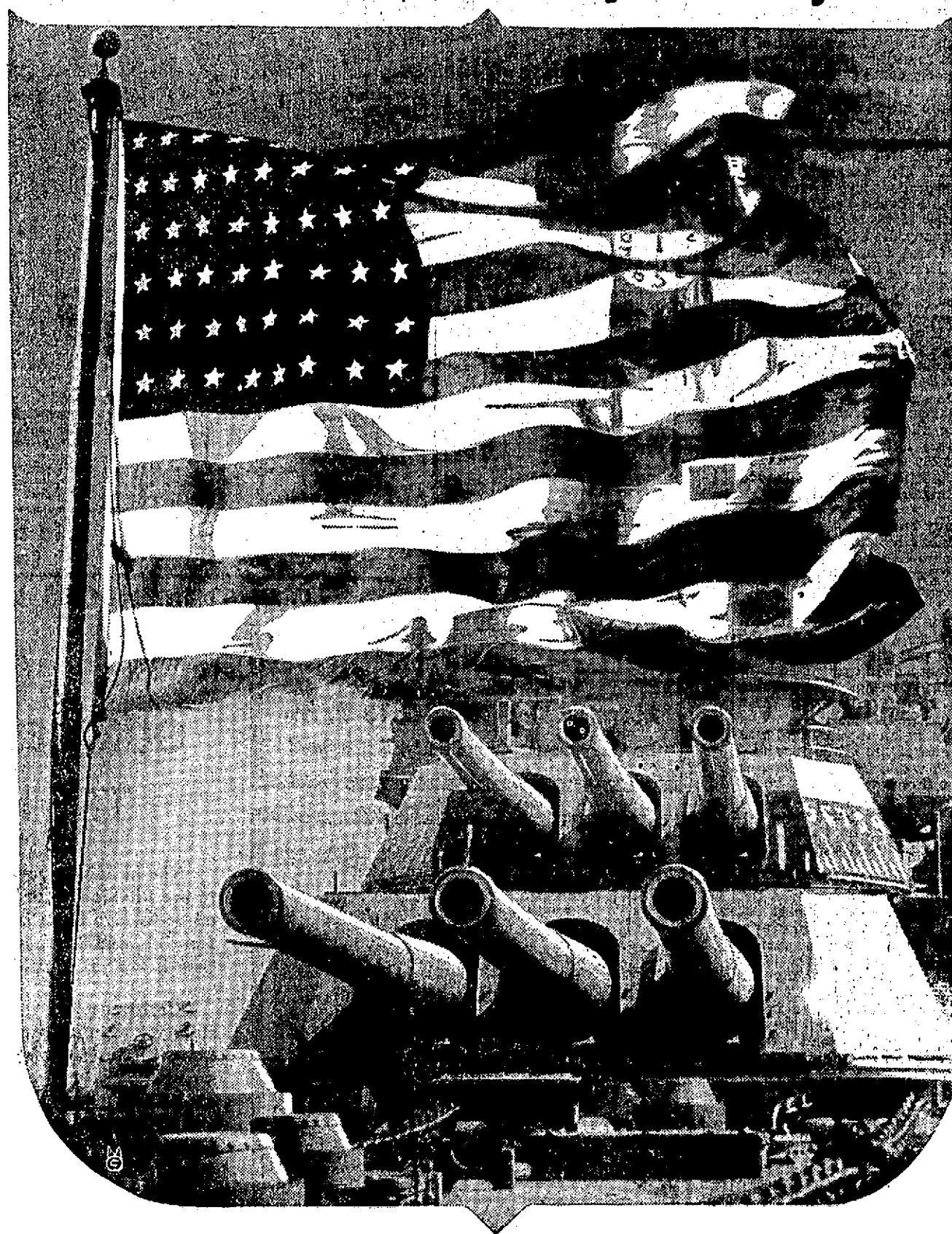
Rating badges, consisting of eagle, chevrons and specialty mark, are worn on the sleeve between the shoulder and elbow. Your specialty mark indicates your job. Number of chevrons indicates your grade.

### LOOK WHAT THE NAVY OFFERS YOU

1. A chance to serve your country.
2. Clean, healthy life.
3. Good food—and plenty of it.
4. Good pay—up to \$138 a month.
5. Free clothing—\$133 worth.
6. Free medical and dental care.
7. Travel... adventure... thrills.
8. Opportunity to be an Officer.
9. Training in nearly 50 trades.
10. Future success in civil life.

# CHOOSE THE NAVY PICK YOUR JOB

Here's your chance to qualify for the job where you  
can do the most for your country—and for yourself



## 49 Trade Schools Are Available to Navy Volunteers

Make Your Decision  
Now and Be Placed  
On Preferred List

The Navy's 49 trades and training schools still are open to men who can qualify for voluntary enlistments under new regulations recently set forth by the Navy Department.

Men between the ages of 18 and 38 who are registered for Selective Service, and in Class 1-A, or 17-year-olds, may enter the service following one of the below listed trades and receive a petty officer's rating upon entering the service. Or men who are not familiar with one of the jobs may attend a Naval Trade school and receive in excess of \$1500 in training, free of cost to them. Meanwhile, during the time they are in school they will be drawing pay from the Navy.

If you are registered for the Selective Service and in Class 1-A, contact your Local Board before it is too late, and see how you can qualify to enter the Navy. If you have not yet registered, go to your nearest Navy Recruiting Station and submit your application today.

Trades which you may learn, or follow, in the Navy are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aerographer's Mate        | <input type="checkbox"/> Musician            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation Machinist's Mate | <input type="checkbox"/> Officers' Cook      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation Metalsmith       | <input type="checkbox"/> Officers' Steward   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation Ordnanceman      | <input type="checkbox"/> Painter             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation Pilot            | <input type="checkbox"/> Parachute Rigger    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation Radioman         | <input type="checkbox"/> Patternmaker        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baker                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist's Mate   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commissary Steward        | <input type="checkbox"/> Seaman              |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fireman                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Signaller           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gunner's Mate             | <input type="checkbox"/> Soundman            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital Apprentice       | <input type="checkbox"/> Specialist          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Machinist's Mate          | <input type="checkbox"/> Storekeeper         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mess Attendant            | <input type="checkbox"/> Telegrapher         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Metalsmith                | <input type="checkbox"/> Torpedoman's Mate   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Molder                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Turret Captain      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Motor Machinist's Mate    | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Tender        |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yeoman              |

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# Sinkwich Hurt Again on Eve of Bowl Game

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 24 —(P)—In case his public has become bored reading about Frankie Sinkwich's injured left ankle, it may now read about Frankie Sinkwich's injured right ankle.

Georgia's all-American back was just recovering from the earlier injury, to the point where Coach Wally Butts began believing he would be in top shape for the Rose Bowl game New Year's Day against the University of California at Los Angeles.

But late yesterday, on the final play of the afternoon scrimmage, Sinkwich came out of a pileup hobbling again, and was assisted off the field by Georgia trainers. It was his right ankle this time, and after the medics had given Frankie a preliminary going over, Coach Butts said he still hoped his top-flight passer and runner would be ready for action against the Bruins.

It was deemed highly unlikely, however, that Sinkwich would do any more heavy duty scrimmage before the bowl contest, and he may not go into the game as sharp as he would had his underpinning held up under him.

Tulsa Forward Cash  
Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 24 —(P)—Money to buy tickets for the first 1,000 members of Tulsa's pro-styled rooting section for the Sugar Bowl was forwarded to New Orleans today.

Sports Promoter Sam Avey sent \$1,000 to Bill Keefe, New Orleans Times-Picayune sports writer, who will dole the tickets out to servicemen who agree to root for the Golden Hurricane against Tennessee.

Avey predicted the fund would reach \$2,500 by the time all contributions are counted.

Officials Named  
Dallas, Dec. 24 —(P)—Jeff Faris, veteran Southwest Conference official, today was designated as referee for the Cotton Bowl game between Texas and Georgia Tech.

Umpire will be A. Paul Melton, Baltimore newspaperman, a graduate of Loyola.

Al. Comdr. Barry Holton, an alumnus of Notre Dame will be headlinesman and L. J. Perry of Reedsville, N. C., an Elon graduate, field judge.

West Seeks Passer  
San Francisco, Dec. 24 —(P)—Western coaches, needing a passer to match the East's Paul Gornall of Columbia in the shrine East-West football game New Year's Day, had four leading prospects tossing the pigskin today.

These were, in order of the effectiveness they showed in yesterday's first serious practice, Bob Kennedy of Washington State, Jim Jurkovich of California, Bob Steuber of Missouri and Frank Porto, California.

In the east camp, Gornall was left back in a trial first team that included Steve Filipowicz of Fordham, N. C., Les Horvath of Ohio State at right half and George Celibant of Michigan at quarter.

Both squads held practices on slippery turfs.

# Henry Picard Hangs Up Golf Clubs for Farm

Oklahoma City, Dec. 24 —(P)—Professional golf is swell and Henry Picard has won 40 major tournaments and a wad of prize money at the game, but he's hanging up his shooting irons for good in favor of raising hogs on his South Carolina farm.

Picard has submitted his resignation after nearly two years as pro at the twin hills golf and country club here, effective Feb. 1.

Now 36, Picard explains he will not be any younger when the war is over and major golf tournaments are resumed.

"Even if I could get back to top form after the war, I'd still be away from home and my family," he said.

Picard started his golf career as a caddy a score of years ago and went to the top of the sport's toughest hill, winning every major tournament except the National Open. He won the National P. G. A. Tournament in 1939 over the Potomac Country Club Course at Flushing, Long Island, defeating Byron Nelson 1 - up over 37 holes. That was the year he topped the nation's pros with \$14,000 in prize money.

For three years, 1935-37, Picard teamed with Johnny Revolta to win the national football championship in Miami, Fla. Picard won the North and South open at Pinehurst, N. C. in 1934 and 1936 and took the Metropolitan Open in 1935 and 1939.

In 1940 he won the Master's trophy at Augusta, Ga., with a 72-hole card of 286, edging out Harry Cooper and Ralph Guldahl. He was a member of the 937 Ryder Cup team, first American to win the coveted trophy in England.

Picard used part of his golf winnings several years ago to buy a 100 - acre farm near Walterboro, S. C., just 40 miles from Charleston where he began his pro career in 1924.

After 10 years at Charleston, he became pro at the Hershey Country Club in Hershey, Pa., in 1934. He came here from Hershey April 1, 1941.

Colorado's Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Monument was visited by 19,307 persons in 1940.

# SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.  
Wide World Sports Columnist



New York, Dec. 24 —(P)—Looks as if 80-year-old Connie Mack had younger ideas than most of the gents who run major league ball clubs. . . . Connie was, as usual, a thought ahead when he moved the Athletics out of California and into Savannah, Ga., which is a lot nearer home and was a good enough training spot when the A's won the 1911 pennant. . . . Our guess is that the Browns and Pirates will grab off Hot Springs, but the other clubs still are looking of waiting for orders to give. The Cubs investigated French Lick, Ind., and found it had everything but a ball park. Rumors in the past few days have had the Dodgers training everywhere from New Orleans to the Boston College Field house, but a good bet right now is that they'll take Al Mannaux's offer of the Seton Hall College layout in South Orange, N. J.

Turnabout  
When Burke M. Gillespie deserted the sports desk of the Council Bluffs, Ia., nonpareil to volunteer for the armed services (he was the first volunteer out of Council Bluffs) Frank Lane took over the sports editing task. . . . After a year in service, Sgt. Gillespie returned to his job when Lane enlisted in the Naval Reserve as a photographer. . . . Lane spent about eight months in the Air Corps at Sioux City, Ia., then was sent home on inactive duty. . . . A few weeks later Gillespie

was recalled to the Army, so now it's Sports Editor Lane again until Frank gets further orders from the Air Corps.

Today's Guest Star  
Bronko Kuhl, Bonfer (Tex.) Daily Herald: "We now see what is meant by the phrase, 'Sports now geared to all out war' — the teams are all out of players, out of coaches, out of travel facilities and out of record - breaking crowds."

Service Dept.  
Aviation Cadet Thomas J. Wiley, Jr., former Richmond news - leader sports scribe, drew the task of compiling a class book for his group at the Chico, Calif., Army Flying School, put together a 48 - page booklet in two weeks. If Tom's newspaper experience doesn't explain the fast job, the outline he put under his own picture does — "An unreconstructed rebel from Richmond, Va., who has a mania for speed." . . . Lieut. George Earnshaw, former athletics' pitcher, is serving as officer of the day at the Jacksonville, Fla., Naval Air Station and his senior officer on this tour of duty is Lieut. Comdr. Eddie Mahan, the old Harvard footballer. . . . Tee Branca, Salt Lake City golf pro now stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., sends home this word: "I'm a little ragged on the drills, but that's to be expected. I'm a Southpaw and they make me right-shoulder arms."

# Sgt. Joe Louis Gets Action Aplenty in Army

By FRANK HOOD

Fort Riley, Kas., Dec. 24 —(P)—The financial minded gentry along cauliflower row, who used to watch Joe Louis lay his million - dollar crown on the line almost every month, and then inquire naively, "What's the percentage?" — They ought to see the heavyweight champ now.

Sergeant Joe dons the padded mittens each night nad swings into action in — not one, but three rings. It's all part of his new assignment as boxing instructor at his cavalry replacement training center.

The sight of such a valuable piece of fistic bricabrac performing regularly before a capacity house for free — would shock veteran fight promoters and hangers on, most of whom could hear the distant click of a turnstile in the midst of an air raid. But he loves it.

The old dead - pan, generally a shade more voluble than the spink, actually waxes enthusiastic about his new job.

"This is wha I wanta do," de-

clares Joe — Sgt. Joe Louis Barrow on the Army roster. "Besides being good for their condition, it shows soldiers how to take care of themselves."

"Maybe they might get in a jam without their guns, and knowin' how to use their fists might come in pretty handy in dealin' with one of them Japs or Germans."

More than 500 troopers flocked to the call when headquarters announced the heavyweight fist will conduct a series of boxing classes. Three rings go full blast every night until taps stops the raps. Joe and his assistants, former Golden Gloves, give frequent demonstrations.

Louis doesn't think much of the current professional boxing crop. "All the good boys are in the service," he says, "and them guys who are contenders now mostly are just third - raters."

The big fellow shunted questions concerning his own future in the ring with, "I gotta nother job to do now." He believes, however, the Army should turn some big time scrappers as it did in '18 — "like Tunney and some of the others."

"I've got a couple light - heavies and welters and one heavy who look pretty good," admits Joe. "Give me another month and I believe I can make somethin' out of 'em."

Prof. Louis may have a chance to prove that last statement.

Corp. Billy Conn, who rightfully falls under the Brown Bomber's classification of "Godo boys in

# Turkeys Delivered by Air to Americans

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Dec. 22 —(Delayed) —(P)—An aerial Santa Claus has assured one group of American soldiers far in the front lines of this battleground, their traditional Christmas dinner.

Lieut. Robert S. Dorsey, of Pittsburg, Kansas, flew into their base with his bomb bay loaded with 10 turkeys.

The delivery was arranged by Major Joseph Cunningham, the squadron leader, of Clarksburg, W. Va.

He warned Dorsey of dire results if he harmed a single feather of the valuable cargo.

The turkeys arrived with every gobble and feather intact.

Soybean oil meal is being used to take the place of meat scrap as a protein food for poultry.

the service," was transferred to Camp Lee, Va., yesterday from Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., and named boxing instructor.

The Pittsburgh Irishman wants to match his team against Joe's.

"And," said the slugger who lasted 13 rounds with the champ in June, 1941, "I'd like to meet Louis in the heavy weight bout, on any conditions. 'I'm more convinced than ever that I can beat him."

# Sports Mirror

By The Associated Press

Today A Year Ago — Ivan Williamson, assistant for eight years, mentioned as likely successor to Spike Nelson as head football coach at Yale.

Three Years Ago — Ceferino Garcia, New York recognized middleweight champion, stopped Glen Le ein 12th round of scheduled 15-round title fight at Manila.

Five Years Ago — Cecil Smith, ten - goal polo star, received broken collarbone in fall during match at Mexico City.

To insure lasting peace in Europe and free development for nations it is necessary to create in union of states united by common interests and aims.

# Gen. Chennault Is Decorated With DSC

Chungking, Dec. 22 (Delayed) —

(P)—Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault today was awarded the distinguished service medal, his first American decoration, by Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, chief of staff of Allied forces in China.

The medal was pinned on the commander of the China air task force in a ceremony in front of his headquarters. The citation said:

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# Florida Will Miss Ball Clubs This Spring

St. Petersburg, Fla., Dec. 24 —(P)—Florida is going to miss having the major league baseball clubs down next spring but it's worth the disappointment if it helps win the war, "Sunshine" Al Lang, the state's ambassador of baseball, said today.

The former mayor of St. Petersburg, who made his enthusiasm as a baseball fan pay dividends for the whole state, was directly or indirectly responsible for bringing a dozen big league teams to Florida for training last spring.

Big welcomes had been planned for the world champion St. Louis Cardinals and the New York Yankees, who have prepped here in recent years. Today the training grounds of the Cards and Yanks are being used as drill fields for Uncle Sam's soldiers.

The two top flight teams of 1942 have joined the xodus of major leaguers away from the warmer climes of Florida and California, and, with others, are shopping for site farther north. Training camp changes followed a suggestion by Joseph B. Eastman Director of the Office of Defense Transportation, that baseball clubs should reduce travel as much as possible.

Meanwhile, it appeared that the Pittsburgh Pirates and the St. Louis Browns would train next spring at Hot Springs, Ark., if their managements followed the recommendations of Blake Harper of St. Louis, who surveyed facilities there for them and the two Chicago major league clubs.

The four teams trained in California last spring.

Harper, concessions manager at Sportsman's Park, St. Louis, said last night that only two of four fields in the Arkansas resort city could be prepared adequately by spring, and that he was recommending that the Chicago Cubs and White Sox seek other spring quarters.

James T. Gallagher, general manager of the Cubs, said in Chicago that his club was considering the possibility of a site in the midwest. The White Sox management plans to locate a new camp near the Cub base.

The Brooklyn Dodgers, who gave up plans to train at West Palm Beach, Fla., may unlimber in Yale's huge Coxe Memorial baseball cage, Harold F. Woodcock, the University's A.A. business manager, said last night. He related that he had discussed the possibility with President Branch Rickey of the Dodgers in New York. The Army is not expected to use the cage when it takes over Yale properties next month for the armed forces college training plan.

The Boston Braves will not train at Sanford, Fla., and President Bob Quinn mentioned some North Carolina city as a likely new site.

General Manager Eddie Collins of the Boston Red Sox likewise announced that the American League team would not return to Sarasota, Fla., and was considering a north or South Carolina camp.

The Philadelphia Athletics have given up the west coast for Savannah, Ga., and the New York Giants are quitting Miami for a possible North Carolina location.

Ford Frick, president of the National League, said in New York he didn't believe it would be necessary to postpone the 1943 baseball opening, set for April 13, because of the limited training season.

Louis, Wife Expect Stark in January

Chicago, Dec. 24 —(P)—Sergt. boxing champion who is serving as a boxing instructor at Fort Riley, Kas., arrived yesterday to spend Christmas with his wife, Marva. The Louis' have a date

# Washington

By JACK STINNETT  
Wide World Features Writer

Washington — The war has literally kicked Washington in the face.

From time to time since national defense started, this column has been devoted to changes in the capital's map. It was brought home a good deal more forcibly than scattered reports could picture when I talked to a one - time Washington resident the other day who was making his first visit here since early in 1941.

Washington will never be the same again. Out Maryland way, a white skyscraper rises sheer from a flat area between rolling hills. It's the new Navy Medical Center, where already the boys from Pearl Harbor, Coral Sea, Midway and Solomon Islands battles have been nursed back to health.

Friendship, the one - time rambling estate of Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean, is now a cluster of apartment houses for government workers. In spite of the magnificent new War Department building just of Virginia avenue and the elongated crackerbox Munitions building on Constitution avenue, most of the army is housed in the staggering 45,000 - capacity Pentagon building that flanks the famous old military cemetery in Arlington.

The Navy building (a twin of the old Munitions building on Constitution avenue) has slopped over into a lot of "Temporaries." Several of these decorate the once beautiful Reflecting Pool that joins the Washington Monument and Lincoln Memorial. As a matter of fact the only thing that the Reflecting Pool reflects these days are a couple of ugly enclosed ramps that provide runways for the ants from these gray frame navy hills.

Gravelly Point, a year ago, was just the site of the brand new airport, which was being described as one of the three or four most beautiful and efficient in the world. Now it's a veehve surrounded by buildings which night and day house thousands of army air force workers.

Transportation routes across the Potomac have become a curl of cloverleaf ramps and runways. There are busses on the sacred drives ni Rock Creek park. One mammoth new hotel is ready for an early opening, but it won't help; many of the old ones have floors of war offices; and the government and British agencies have taken over completely such apartment landmarks as the Corcoran and Dupont Circle. The army and navy have also gobbled up such well-known schools as Arlington Hall and Mount Vernon and National Park seminaries.

What has happened to the White House is pretty much of a military secret, but on the East Wing something new has been added, including the offices of Economic Stabilizer James F. Byrnes. The little guardhouse boxes that dot the famous iron fence of the White House grounds make it look like something out of the Hollywood version of Graustark.

Through piles of scrap, and temporary buildings, you still can see the Washington monument, and the Capitol still looks the same on Capitol Hill — but that's about all that is left of pre-war Washington.

Deaths Last Night

Mrs. Minnie Ayers  
New York, Dec. 24 —(P)—Mrs. Minnie Maud Hannif Ayers, 62, creator of "Sunny Jim," a cheerful gnomish character who for 40 years, has been part of American Advertising, and widow of Raymond P. Ayers, for meritorious of the Children's page of the New York Herald, died last night.

The majority of fall hats are felt — just like the coat of them.

with the stork and Mrs. Louis says it will be about Jan. 15.

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